



WORKFORCE OBSERVATIONS — WISCONSIN'S FOX VALLEY

CALUMET, FOND DU LAC, GREEN LAKE, OUTAGAMIE, WAUSHARA, WAUPACA, WINNEBAGO

State of Wisconsin
Department of Workforce Development

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Fox Valley Area Unadjusted Unemployment Rate Make Seasonal Climb in January

Wisconsin Fox Valley Workforce Development Area Unadjusted Labor Force Data

January 2005	Appleton MSA	Fond du Lac MSA	Oshkosh- Neenah MSA	Calumet	Green Lake	Outagamie	Waupaca	Waushara	Fox Valley WDA	Non MSA's
Civilian Labor Force**	190,600	55,700	92,700	40,000	18,800	150,600	29,500	11,900	399,100	115,900
Employed	184,700	52,900	88,500	38,900	18,000	145,800	27,800	11,100	382,900	109,700
Unemployed	5,800	2,900	4,200	1,100	800	4,700	1,700	900	16,300	6,200
Unemployment Rate	3.1%	5.1%	4.6%	2.7%	4.1%	3.1%	5.8%	7.2%	4.1%	5.4%
Change from one month ago										
	December 2004		January 2005							
Civilian Labor Force**	-3,500	300	-1,000	-700	-100	-2,800	-300	100	-4,500	0
Employed	-4,500	-300	-1,800	-900	-300	-3,500	-600	-100	-7,500	-1,300
Unemployed	1,000	600	800	200	200	700	300	200	3,100	1,300
Unemployment rate(%)	0.6%	1.0%	0.9%	0.6%	1.1%	0.5%	1.1%	1.6%	1%	1.1%
Change from one year ago										
	January 2004		January 2000							
Civilian Labor Force**	1,300	300	1,300	300	-200	1,000	-600	-200	2,000	-600
Employed	2,100	600	2,000	400	-100	1,600	-400	0	4,100	0
Unemployed	-800	-300	-600	-200	0	-600	-200	-100	-2,100	-700
Unemployment rate(%)	-0.4%	-0.6%	-0.7%	-0.5%	-0.1%	-0.5%	-0.7%	-0.9%	-0.5%	-0.6%

The seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate for the seven county Fox Valley Region increased by 1.0 of a percentage point to 4.1 percent. The rate in January was 0.5 of a percentage point below last January's level.

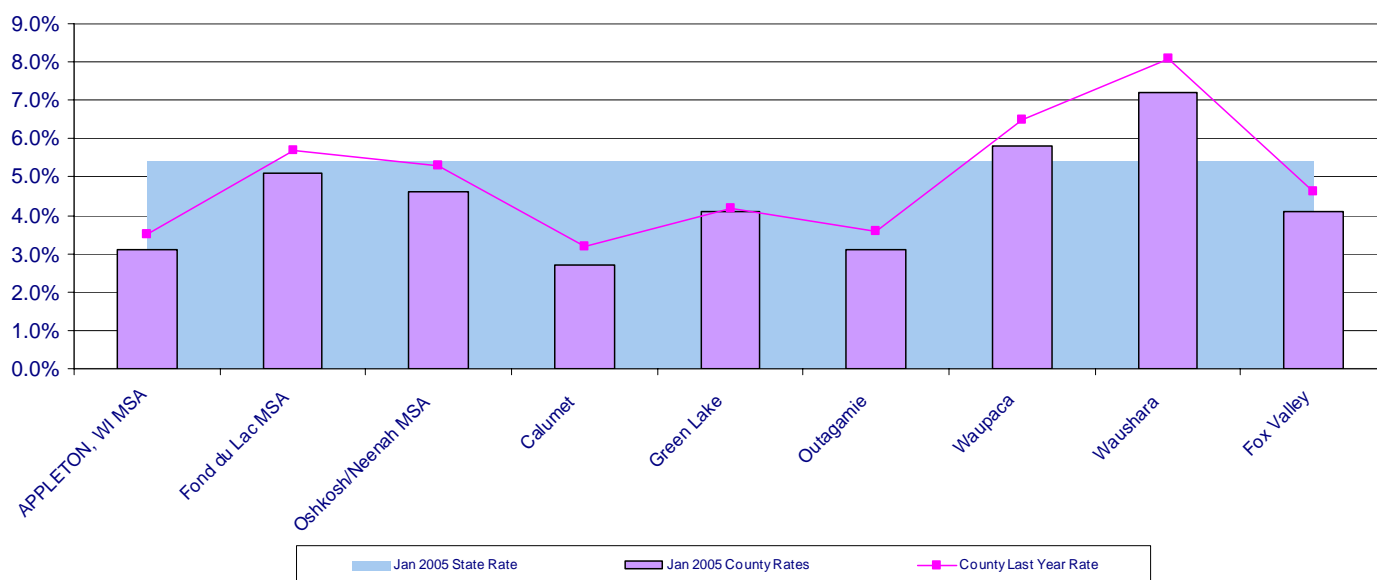
The area continued to follow typical seasonal patterns for January with declines in both the labor force and the number employed. The area's labor force was down 4,500 over the month to 399,100, while the number employed was down 7,500 workers to 382,900. This increased the number estimated to be unemployed by 3,100

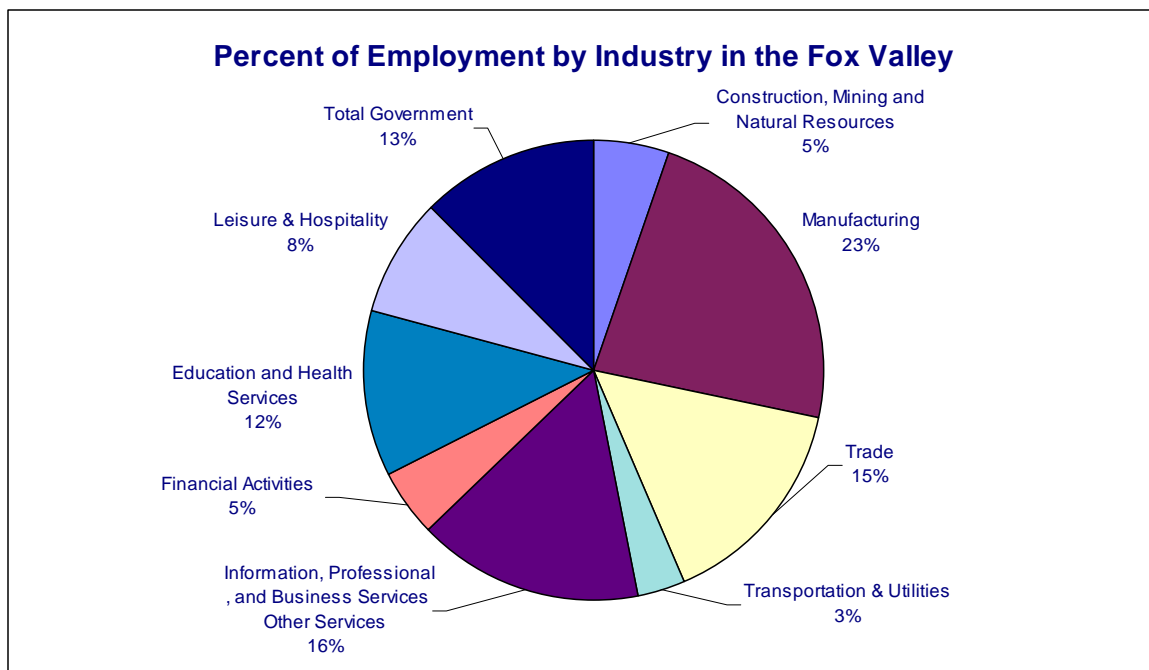
to 16,300.

All of the area's in the region saw an increase in their unemployment rates over the month. Waushara County had the highest monthly increase in its rate, rising 1.6 of a percentage point to 7.2 percent. Waushara County also had the highest unemployment rate in the Fox Valley region. Calumet County had the lowest rate in the region at 2.7 percent. This was the lowest rate in the State of Wisconsin during January.

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State and County Unadjusted Unemployment Rates





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It should be noted that there have been several changes in the designations of several counties in the region. The old Appleton/Oshkosh MSA which included Calumet, Outagamie, and Winnebago Counties has now been divided into two MSAs. The Appleton MSA which will include Appleton and Calumet Counties, and the Oshkosh-Neenah MSA which consists of Winnebago County. Also added to the designation of MSA's is Fond du Lac County. It is now the Fond du Lac MSA.

Every county in the region had a lower unemployment rate when compared with one year ago. Waushara had the greatest over the year decrease, dropping 0.9 of a percentage point, while Green Lake had the smallest decrease, declining 0.1 of a percentage point to 4.1 percent.

During the last year, the area's labor force was up 2,000 workers. The number of workers estimated to be employed increased 4,100 over the last twelve months, while the number estimated to be unemployed decreased by 2,300.

Nonfarm wage and salary (NFWS) employment in the re-

gion decreased 7,700 in January to 285,900. A decline over the month is typical for the area. Overall, the area has added 5,900 jobs in the last year. This includes an increase of 2,500 jobs in the manufacturing industry. Service providing industries added 3,400 jobs while goods producing, this includes the manufacturing sector, increased by 2,500 jobs.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

As of January, seasonally adjusted data is no longer available for sub-state levels. Statewide and national data will continue to have seasonally adjusted data.

The seasonally adjusted rate for the State of Wisconsin was up 0.1 of a percentage point at 4.8 percent. The United States' rate was rose 0.2 of a percentage point to 5.4 percent.

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Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)*														
National (U. S. City Average.) 1982-84 = 100				% Change	Class B/C - North Central States (1996 = 100)				% Change	Class D - North Central States (1996 = 100)				% Change
U.S. City Average	Jan-05	Dec-04	Jan-04		(Size 50,000-1,500,000)	Jan-05	Dec-04	Jan-04		(Size Less than 50,000)	Jan-05	Dec-04	Jan-04	
All Items	190.7	190.3	3.0%		All Items	117.3	117.3	1.9%		All Items	178.2	177.2	0.6%	
Food & Beverage	189.5	188.9	2.8%		Food & Beverage	116.7	116.1	3.2%		Food & Beverage	182.7	181.9	3.4%	
Housing	191.8	190.7	4.5%		Housing	115.6	115.8	1.9%		Housing	167.2	166.2	0.1%	
Apparel & Upkeep	116.1	118.8	0.3%		Apparel & Upkeep	85.9	89.5	-1.7%		Apparel & Upkeep	126.7	129.1	-4.3%	
Transportation	164.0	164.8	4.5%		Trqansportation	117.7	117.2	1.5%		Trqansportation	154.2	153.2	-0.8%	
Gasoline (all Types)	155.6	160.4	14.3%		Gasoline (all Types)	162.4	161.0	9.8%		Gasoline (all Types)	144.8	147.2	7.9%	
Medical Care	316.8	314.9	4.3%		Medical Care	137.9	136.9	6.2%		Medical Care	312.7	309.2	3.8%	
Energy	151.9	153.7	10.6%		Energy	147.0	146.6	8.8%		Energy	139.7	142.3	8.0%	

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics *Not Seasonally Adjusted

Wisconsin Fox Valley Workforce Development Area								
January 2005	Appleton	Fond du Lac	Oshkosh	Green Lake	Waupaca	Waushara	Fox Valley WDA	Wisconsin
	MSA		MSA					
Total Nonfarm (NFWs) ***	113,800	48,200	90,200	7,100	20,600	6,100	285,900	2,755,000
Total Private	102,400	42,500	77,700	6,100	16,600	4,500	249,800	2,343,500
Goods Producing	32,100	13,700	26,600	1,900	5,600	1,200	81,100	613,700
Service Producing	81,700	34,500	63,600	5,200	15,000	4,900	204,800	2,141,300
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	7,800	2,800	3,400	400	800	300	15,500	114,900
Manufacturing	24,300	10,900	23,200	1,500	4,800	900	65,600	498,800
Trade	20,300	7,500	11,000	900	3,000	800	43,500	429,900
Transportation & Utilities	3,600	1,700	3,300	300	500	300	9,700	104,900
Financial Activities	6,400	1,800	3,800	300	600	200	13,100	156,600
Education and Health Services	11,700	6,800	10,200	1,100	2,900	700	33,400	379,100
Leisure & Hospitality	10,000	4,400	6,300	600	1,800	700	23,800	236,600
Info., Prof. & Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	18,300	6,600	16,500	1,000	2,200	600	45,200	422,700
Total Government	11,400	5,700	12,500	1,000	3,900	1,500	36,100	411,500
Federal	500	300	600	100	100	100	1,700	29,200
State	300	600	5,000	0	900	400	7,200	101,700
Local	10,600	4,800	6,900	900	3,000	1,100	27,300	280,600
Change from one month ago	#####							
Total Nonfarm (NFWs) ***	-3,400	-1,100	-2,300	-200	-500	-100	-7,700	-88,300
Percent change NFWs from last month	-2.9%	-2.2%	-2.5%	-3.0%	-2.5%	-1.9%	-2.6%	-3.1%
Total Private	-3,600	-700	-1,800	-190	-430	-80	-6,800	-79,100
Goods Producing	-1,800	-200	-400	-50	-190	-40	-2,700	-28,600
Service Producing	-1,600	-900	-1,900	-160	-340	-80	-5,000	-59,700
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	-1,100	-200	-600	-70	-110	-50	-2,100	-23,100
Manufacturing	-700	0	200	10	-80	20	-500	-5,500
Trade	500	-200	-600	-50	-80	-30	-500	205,700
Transportation & Utilities	0	-100	-200	-20	-10	-10	-300	55,500
Financial Activities	-100	0	0	-10	-10	0	-100	-200
Education and Health Services	-200	200	0	-10	20	0	0	-4,200
Leisure & Hospitality	-800	-100	-400	-100	-100	0	-1,400	-14,800
Info., Prof. & Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	-1,200	-300	-200	10	-90	-10	-1,800	-19,400
Total Government	200	-400	-500	-20	-100	-40	-900	-9,200
Federal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-400
State	0	-100	-500	0	-10	0	-600	-4,400
Local	200	-300	0	-20	-90	-40	-300	-4,400
Change from one year ago	January 2004							
Total Nonfarm (NFWs) ***	1,500	1,400	2,500	0	200	200	5,900	-55,300
Percent change NFWs from last year	1.3%	3.0%	2.9%	0.0%	1.2%	4.1%	2.1%	-2.0%
Total Private	1,500	1,500	1,500	170	60	210	4,900	-46,400
Goods Producing	800	600	800	110	-50	190	2,500	-23,500
Service Producing	700	800	1,700	-110	280	50	3,400	-31,800
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	-200	100	-100	60	70	0	-100	-21,900
Manufacturing	1,000	500	900	50	-120	190	2,500	-1,600
Trade	1,200	200	300	-30	-50	0	1,600	207,400
Transportation & Utilities	100	0	-300	40	-20	40	-100	54,600
Financial Activities	-500	0	-100	10	-30	20	-600	-300
Education and Health Services	100	600	0	10	320	20	1,000	7,200
Leisure & Hospitality	200	100	200	-70	-110	-40	300	-11,700
Info., Prof. & Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	-400	0	600	110	0	-20	300	-9,200
Total Government	0	-100	1,000	-170	180	30	900	-8,900
Federal	0	0	100	-10	0	10	100	-600
State	0	-100	700	0	60	10	700	-1,800
Local	0	0	200	-170	120	20	200	-6,500
* Seven counties, excluding La Crosse County ** Includes participants residing in area. *** Includes employment with employers located in area. Estimates are NOT seasonally adjusted. Current month estimates are preliminary. Totals may not add due to rounding. Calculations based on unrounded numbers. NFWs data is benchmarked to 3/2002								

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